

CHESTNUTHILL TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS  
ROUTE 715, BRODHEADSVILLE, PA 18322  
MINUTES OF MEETING – February 3, 2009

A regular meeting of the Chestnuthill Township Board of Supervisors was called to order at 7:00 p.m on Tuesday, February 3, 2009 at the Township Municipal Building Rte 715, Brodheadsville. Those present were Chuck Gould (Chairman), Leigh Kane (Vice-Chairman), David Fleetwood (Supervisor) Atty. Joseph P. McDonald, Jr., David Albright (Township Manager) and Cathy Martinelli (Office Manager).

The **Pledge of Allegiance** to the Flag was led by Al Bourke.

**Executive Session.** Was held on January 20<sup>th</sup> and February 2<sup>nd</sup> on a real estate matter.

**Unit Care Agreement.** None.

**Parks.** Bernie Kozen was present and gave an update:

- Super Saturday was a success with 22 kids in attendance
- Beading & bird feeders will be held Feb 28<sup>th</sup>.
- An art workshop will be held Feb 24<sup>th</sup>.
- Coming soon Constable Grace Marks will coordinate a workshop On identity theft along with a 1<sup>st</sup> aide safety class.
- PRPS – State Convention for parks will be held March 7-11<sup>th</sup>

**Public Comment.**

**Snow Plowing.** Al Bourke complimented Merton Whitney for the great job plowing the roads. Chris Fisher of PVSD thanked Merton also, for working well with the school and communicating on the weather issues, coordinating the snow plowing. Great Job Mert! Chuck also mentioned that we will be towing away cars left in the road or on the right of way during a weather emergency.

**Emergency Personnel.** Dave Fleetwood wanted to thank the emergency service for their great response to an emergency his neighbor had last week.

**Minutes.** On motion made by Dave, seconded by Leigh it was voted to approve the minutes of the January 5<sup>th</sup> Reorganization meeting, as distributed. (3-0) On motion made by Chuck, seconded by Leigh it was voted to change the term of David Fleetwood on the West End Park and Open Space Commission from 1 year to 3 years. (3-0) On motion made by Leigh, seconded by Dave it was voted to approve the minutes of the January 5<sup>th</sup> Supervisors meeting, as distributed. (3-0) On motion made by Leigh, seconded by Dave it was voted to approve the minutes of the January 20<sup>th</sup> Supervisors meeting, as distributed. (3-0)

**Wildlife Conservation – Game Commission.** Pete Sussenbach and Cory Benzoni were here to present David Albright with a plaque for his hard work and dedication with the Game Commission in helping to curtail dumping on Hysie Gap Road and ATV riders on public access properties, as well as many other issues that arise from time to time.

**Correspondence.**

**Monroe County Conservation District.** Will hold a watershed management seminar on March 26<sup>th</sup>.

**Open Space Workshop.** Will be held on Thursday from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the Township Building. It will focus on what has been done at the WE Region. It is free of charge to residents.

**Atty. Mark Love.** He is the solicitor of the Monroe County Tax Bureau and would like to set up a meeting regarding repository lots. Atty. McDonald will set up a meeting.

**Old Business.**

**Items for sale.** At the last items for sale bid advertisement we held, the portable light plants did not sell. They are well under \$1,000.00. Someone is now interested in purchasing them. On motion made by Leigh, seconded by Dave it was voted to sell the light plants as long as it is consistent with the sale of Township Property per the second class township code. (3-0)

**New Business.**

**DEP.** David Albright has received a call from Chris Fritz of DEP. He is reviewing a grant application for the transfer station. He brought to our attention an inconsistency in our ordinances between Chapter 37-4B Burning Ordinance and 90-8A Recycling Ordinance. One says you can burn leaves and the other says you cannot. It is the intention of the Township that you cannot burn leaves and therefore, this must be corrected. On motion made by Leigh, seconded by Dave it was voted to authorize Atty. McDonald to advertise a hearing on March 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. and to allow Dave and Cathy to process and finalize the paperwork. (3-0)

**Temporary Zoning Officer.** Walter Hansen, Zoning Officer is under the weather and will be out of the office for a few weeks therefore, on motion made by Chuck, seconded by Dave it was voted to appoint Cathy A. Martinelli, Temporary Zoning Officer. (3-0)

**Bills.** On motion made by Leigh, seconded by Dave it was voted to pay the general fund and capitol projects fund bills. (3-0)

**Plans.**

**Kal-Tac Inc.** (Land Development Plan/Reverse Subdivision Plan) Effort Associates. It was noted at the last meeting that this plan has been in limbo for several years. Atty. McDonald spoke to Atty. Martino and he said his client is out of town until April. Engineer McDermott said there are 11 outstanding comments to address and he would like to revisit the financial and security improvements as the costs have increased, as well as have the storm water updated. The Board would like Atty. McDonald to send a letter with these requirements and to make it very clear that this issue will be discussed and possibly voted on at the 1<sup>st</sup> meeting in May. On motion made by Chuck, seconded by Leigh it was voted to have Atty. McDonald send a letter containing the above issues and to table this plan tonight. (3-0) (**open ended waiver**)

**Pleasant Valley Assembly of God** (Prelim/Final Plan) Niclaus Engineering. It was asked via phone to table this plan tonight. On motion made by Chuck, seconded by Leigh it was voted to table this plan tonight. (3-0) (**open ended waiver**)

**Chestnut Hill Nursery (Land Development Plan)** Keystone Consulting. It was asked via phone to table this plan tonight. On motion made by Chuck, seconded by Leigh it was voted to table this plan tonight. (3-0) Chuck abstained. (**open ended waiver received 10/7/08**)

**Chestnuthill Township** (Lot line Adjust & Consolidation) Reilly Assoc. Eric Snyder, Alternate Engineer reviewed this plan. Everything was in order, on motion made by Leigh, seconded by Dave it was voted to approve and sign this plan. (3-0) (Plan date 12/03/08) (plan rev. 1/9/09) (**90-day review ends 3/17/09**).

**Pleasant Valley Middle School.** Mike Forte was present on behalf of Quad 3. A question was pending regarding the placement of the sewage lagoons on the plan, if it met the zoning requirements. In anticipation of being appointed temporary Zoning Officer, Cathy had reviewed this plan and said the lagoons meet the zoning requirements as shown on the plan. A brief discussion ensued and on motion made by Chuck, seconded by Leigh it was voted to conditionally approve this plan subject to satisfactorily addressing the Engineer's comment letter dated 2/3/09, amending the Land Development Plan and sending to Engineer McDermott, and receipt of all outside agency approvals. The Board will waive the security requirement and will hold a workshop with the property owners adjoining the property to discuss the buffer plantings. (3-0)

**Planning Module Approval.** None.

**Adjournment.** There being no further business, on motion made by Leigh, seconded by Dave it was voted to adjourn at 8:07 p.m. (3-0)

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy A. Martinelli  
Recording Secretary